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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2792

As Recommended by House Committee on
Transportation

Brief*

HB 2792 concerns approval of lighting plans for highways and bridges by the Kansas Corporation Commission. The bill would repeal KSA 68-163, which requires utilities to file and receive approval from the Kansas Corporation Commission before implementing plans for lighting to be installed on any road, highway, or bridge.

Background

HB 2792 was supported by Westar Energy. The conferee representing Westar explained that only one county in Kansas complies with KSA 68-163. He said the law creates unnecessary paperwork and delays in street lighting projects. He further noted that under current practice, approval is tied to compliance with the associated tariff and does not involve an actual review of the plans. He noted all tariffs have been approved by the Commission and that compliance can be verified through periodic reviews.

There were no other conferees.

There would be no fiscal effect as a result of this bill.

*Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at <http://www.accesskansas.org/legislature/>